

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES
MADE, AND LISTING OF ALL CLAIMS WITH PROPER IDENTIFIERS**

1. (Canceled)
2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, wherein the opposite side edges are beveled towards one side so as to form an inner side and an outer side, with the inner side having a surface area which is smaller than a surface area of the outer side.
3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, wherein the bending step and the shaping step are implemented by a roll forming operation.
4. (Previously presented) A method of securing a rod-shaped part in a surrounding holding member, comprising the following steps:

fabricating a flat holding member having opposite side edges formed with elements configured for interlocking engagement;

bending the side edges of the holding member upwards;

shaping the holding member into a cross-section in accordance to a cross section of the rod-shaped part;

inserting the rod-shaped part into the holding member; and

press-fitting the holding member about the rod-shaped part to permanently connect the holding member to the rod-shaped part, wherein the press-fitting step includes a first pressing operation at one position of the holding

member so that the holding member assumes a non-round configuration, and a second pressing operation at a position offset to the one position by 90° to conform to the cross section of the rod-shaped part.

5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, wherein the rod-shaped part has a radial profile.
6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the rod-shaped part has a thread.
7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the rod-shaped part is a threaded rod.
8. (Previously presented) The method of claim 4, wherein the rod-shaped part has a circular cross section.

Claims 9-17 (Canceled)

18. (New) A method of securing a rod-shaped part in a surrounding holding member, comprising the following steps:
fabricating a flat holding member having opposite side edges formed with elements configured for interlocking engagement;
bending the side edges of the holding member upwards;

shaping the holding member into a cross-section in accordance to a cross section of the rod-shaped part;

inserting the rod-shaped part into the holding member; and

press-fitting the holding member about the rod-shaped part to permanently connect the holding member to the rod-shaped part,

wherein the opposite side edges are beveled towards one side so as to form an inner side and an outer side, with the inner side having a surface area which is smaller than a surface area of the outer side.